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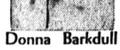
TORRANCE HERALD

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Rains Fall, and So Do Tartars, to Paramount

ROD & GUN Chatter

By



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Surf enthusiasts have been having a ball with the elusive barred perch hitting off Huntington Beach along with spotted catches of corbina late. Seem to hit best a couple of hours before high tide and a short while thereafter on sand shells in that particular locale. Slowly but surely they are moving into local waters with a few taken in front of the Riviera and 2nd St. in Hermosa. 2nd St. fish are still few and far between, but the ones taken have really been beauts. Mostly over the two pound mark.

Hearing a rumor by way of Erney Strong, that they had started to hit at 2nd St. Carl Hami, Dean and myself slipped down to try and be one of the first to bag anything over three lbs. Caught in the act of doing the same were the Coast boys, Abe and Al, who would rather be caught dead than seen fishing locally. They are the ones, if you remember, who insist that surf fishing around Hollywood Beach and vicinity is tops and whoever fishes here or south of us is wasting his time. Really hurt their ego! As it was, Abe landed a beauty hitting 2 1/2 lbs. Al was skunked—serves him right! Carl, as usual, hauled in more than anyone else, most going away over two lbs.

The next night, Carl, Dean and myself tried again. This time Dean couldn't do anything but horse-in lunkers while Carl, Barry Barnett, who had sauntered down to join us, and I, stood around with our lower lip dragging. 3 lbs. 2 ozs., 2 lbs. 8 ozs., and 2 lbs. 6 ozs. were his toppers. Carl eventually tagged a corbina, the average 1 lb. class along with Barry who got one before he went screaming to tell Rod and Gun members and all who would listen of the monsters being taken at 2nd St. Conditions prevailing, it looks as if 2nd St. will resemble the pike. Anglers after the big ones and just waiting for the big run to really get started. Still early—last year it was in April.

Helen and Marcella Smith took Johnny Rowe with them to Huntington Beach one morning last week to give him some pointers on the art of surf fishing. Didn't work—the gals caught all the fish, topper hitting over two lbs. with a couple of corbina throbs in Johnny did everything the gals did, but nothing happened. What a sad looking character they drug back home!

Bob McNeas, Jack Pollock and Al Coast hit Ventura beaches Sunday getting awfully wet and 22 surf perch. Said the average weight was 3-4 lbs. Bob had the topper hitting 2 lbs. 4 ozs., Al's, 2 lbs. 3 ozs. and Jack's, 2 lbs. Still think they would do better locally!

Roy, Paul, Leon Smith took their visiting cousins, Fred and Joyce Bird, from Mapleton, Utah, on their first ocean fishing trip last Sunday on Erling Strong's boat. Flashed the rock pile, just this side of the Horse shoe Kelp sacking their limits of rock cod and sand dabs. Cousin Fred got tangled up with a pretty good sized blue shark on Paul's spinning outfit with 10 lb. test monofilament. Guess he thought he had a whale—anyway he showed his city cousins that he knew something about deep sea fishing, landing it after a terrific struggle.

Big night for the Gardena Rod and Gun, Friday, when they held their annual award and installation dinner at the Western Club in Gardena. "Hot spot" Pollock takes the helm for the coming year, with "Moonshine" Oscar Kirsten assisting as vice-presy. "Splasher" Gibson takes charge of the bank roll while "Burbly" Mercuriades as sig. at arms, sees that there is something to take care of. Secretaries are "Dry Sack" DeBow and "Dunker" Wycoff.

Torrance Rod and Gun holds theirs a week from Saturday night at the civic auditorium

with television personality Jack McElroy as master of ceremonies. If you want a preview of what you'll be in for watch "funglomordma" between 4 and 5 in the afternoon on Channel 13. We should really have a ball! Tickets are on sale now from all Rod and Gun members. If you can't locate a member, call me.



EMCEE . . . Radio and TV personality Jack McElroy will be master of ceremonies at the Torrance Rod and Gun awards and installation dinner Jan. 29, at the Civic Auditorium.

Annual Feed Planned By Rod, Gunners

Members of the Torrance Rod and Gun are getting primed for their big meeting and feed at the Civic Auditorium, Jan. 29, in an annual banquet and awards session.

Jack McElroy, noted radio and TV emcee, will be master of ceremonies. McElroy also is a well known local fisherman and sportsman.

Presentation of trophies to members will be made, and Jack Pluth, founder of the Button Award Assn. of Southern California, will install officers for the new year.

Taking the gavel will be Ray Hawkes, president. Other new VIPs include Paul Smith, vice president; Dehn Barkdull, treasurer; Donna Barkdull, recording secretary; and Annabell Coast, executive secretary.

Meet Leuzinger Tomorrow Eve

The rains nearly washed out Paramount High School this week, but didn't slow up their basketball squad. The Pirates washed the locals clean with a 53-37 drubbing in a hot-cold game.

Paramount bounced into the thick of it with 17 points to the locals 11 in the second quarter.

Marty Tauley blasted through with 21 points to pace the crew, while Don Iwata got local high point honors with 13.

Coach George Stanlich takes his quintet to Leuzinger tomorrow afternoon, in another Bay League tilt. Game time is 7 o'clock.

Scoring: Paramount (57) LoVeters (10) F Lawrence (8) Adamson (10) F Iwata (13) Tauley (21) C Vanderpool (2) Guillen (6) G Lee (10) Shehee G Brown

Scoring Subs: Paramount—Kirk 4, Griffith 2, Shubert 2, Torrance—Sanchez 4.

Pirates Whip THS Jayvees

Richard Ruffell dropped in 15 points for the Tartar cause against the Paramount Jayvees, Tuesday evening, but it just wasn't enough. The hosts handed the Torrance team a 46-37 whipping.

The locals just couldn't set up a continuing attack, and were met with a barrage of shots which spelled the difference.

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Scoring Subs: Torrance—Jackson 2, Paramount—Tirheimer 4.

Boys, Fathers Honored at Big Banquet

Nearly 150 boys and their fathers were feted at a sports award dinner for the champions of the recent flag football league, Thursday, at the civic auditorium. The affair was sponsored by the Recreation Department.

Coach Cliff Graybehl, head high school coach, and Aramois Dandoy, USC football great, were guests of honor and speakers.

Elmer S. Moon, city athletic director, was master of ceremonies, and Harry Van Belleham, director of recreation, assisted with presentation of awards.

Honored teams and coaches were from the Walteria Mudhens, Nativity, and Seaside Seals.

Jack McElroy to M-C Banquet Li'l League Work Starts

Construction on Little League Diamond Starts

Plans for a two-diamond baseball field for Little League ball players are nearing completion, and construction will get underway at once, it was revealed yesterday.

To be located on property once occupied by a city dump at Plaza Del Amo, near Cabrillo and Western Aves., volunteer workers are starting to clean up the area each Saturday morning.

Torrance is divided into four Little Leagues, and one Babe Ruth League, for boys 12 to 15 years of age. Now in operation are the American League, in south Torrance, the National League, north Torrance, and the Pacific Coast League, in southwest Torrance.

Another northern league, as yet unnamed, soon may be formed in the north Torrance section.

Paul Roetiger, vice-president of the American League, said yesterday that any one who desires to "help the cause" will be appreciated at the Saturday morning work sessions. Boys and their dads are needed for construction work.

When completed, the park will represent a sizeable investment for the League. Funds are derived from contributions by sponsors, and donations taken at the games.

San Diego Leads Pack in Early Basketball Race

Here's the lowdown on Metropolitan Conference cage squads:

The San Diego JC basketballers find themselves at the top of the heap as the third week of play gets underway in the Metro League. The Knights, coached by Don Clarkson, sport a 3-0 record after winning their first three starts by slim margins.

Getting billed as the game of the week is a mix between San Diego and Coach Gil Bishop's Bakersfield Renegades (2-1).

The 'Gades got off to an auspicious start in conference play by knocking off Estrel L.A. and El Camino, the latter by a 96-56 score.

But the boys from over the mountains got sidetracked by a potent Long Beach outfit last week end, 69-63.

Sharpshooters Perform The game will bring together the four top sharpshooters of the league in San Diego's Willis Pitts and Phil Emberton, and Bakersfield's Ralph Barkey and Eddie Holliday.

Est. L.A., boasting guards Reynaldo Garay and Yoneo Garay who have been hitting the hoop at a 15 point per game clip in conference play, will host Santa Monica CC tomorrow evening, while El Camino trapes over to Long Beach CC.

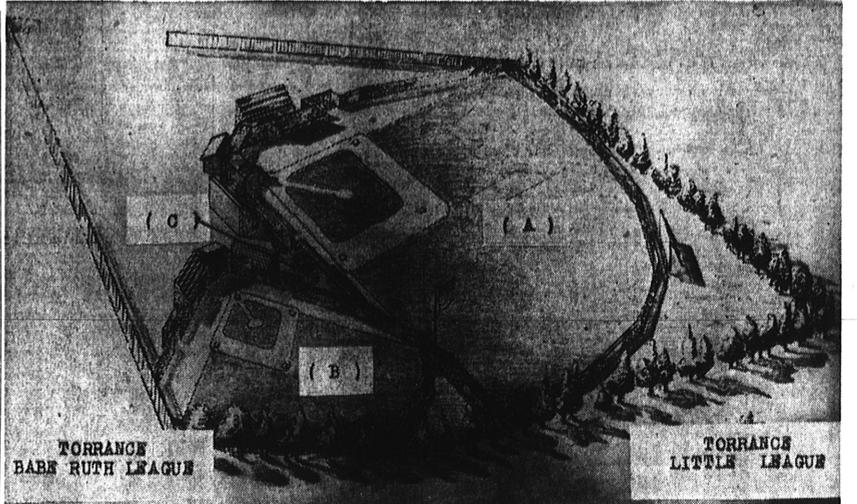
Tomorrow evening, Harbor's Seabawks, led by Jim Newman, Clarence Gravett and Clyt Moss, all of whom sport better than a 15 point average, will make the trek to San Diego for a 7 p.m. clash. They'll hope to wear down the Bay boys enough to muster their initial win.

Bakersfield will meet Valley tomorrow night, then go southward for the big Saturday night fiasco at San Diego.

Cage Races Set For Boys League

The second round of play in the elementary school boys basketball league will get underway Saturday at the High School gym. In last week's clashes, the Wildcats dumped the Notorious, 42-14; the Canvasbacks beat Hornets, 29-14; Mudhens clobbered the Cadets, 24-17; Seagulls whipped the Hawks, 34-15; and, the Red Devils crushed the Fireballs, 47-18.

Games Saturday will see: Wildcats vs. Hornets, 10 a.m.; Mudhens vs. Notorious, 10 a.m.; Seagulls vs. Canvasbacks, 1 p.m.; Red Devils vs. Cadets, 2 p.m.; Fireballs vs. Hawks, 3 p.m.



PROPOSED DIAMONDS . . . Volunteer workers have started work on this Torrance Little League project, Plaza del Amo, between Western and Cabrillo Aves. Final plans call for a Babe Ruth regulation diamond (A), for boys 12 to 15 years of age, a Little League diamond (B), for boys

8 to 12, plus concession stands (C), rest room facilities, and grandstands. Three Little League and one Babe Ruth League now are under way in Torrance, with more to come, backers say.

LITTLE LEAGUE

An Investment in Youth

"The future of a free people and their institutions—educational, religious, charitable, and business enterprise—must depend on the youth of today." H. E. Humphreys Jr.

This is Little League.

Little League baseball offers a rare opportunity to the neighborhood or the local community to build a sound native American program that is beneficial to the boys, the family and the welfare of the community.

By providing a vehicle for healthful recreation during the summer vacation months, wherein the boys may compete with each other beneficially under capable leadership, Little League contributes to the well being of the boys and their parents. It offers a means through which parents and community leaders may foster in relation with their children a solution to many of the current social problems—to juvenile delinquency.

In Little League each boy learns some of the lessons of fair play, of discipline, and team work. It cannot be used for personal gain or profit. It is used for one end—for the boy.

Little League Baseball is Big League Baseball adapted to the mental and physical capacities of boys 12 years of age and under. It was organized in 1939 in Pennsylvania, to give those who usually sat on the benches, a break.

And it went over like TV sets at a one cent sale.

Today, nearly 200,000 boys 12 years of age and under are on the rosters of the regular "first" teams. In addition, more than 85,000 boys found spots on the "farm clubs."

In Torrance a couple of years ago, some men who were thinking more about the kids of the block than themselves, formed the Torrance Little League Inc., and today that organization has spread to encompass hundreds of future Babe Ruths.

Now, the American and National Leagues, the Pacific Coast League and the Babe Ruth League all are in full swing. Another soon is planned in north Torrance.

The clubs are formed one for each 15,000 population, by national regulations, giving Torrance a potential of many clubs, as the growth here continues.

Sponsors for each team are vital to the operation of the non-profit affair. A sponsor is required to provide uniforms, baseballs, bats, mitts, and essential equipment—at a cost of \$550 for a three year period.

Many organizations have come through, feeling that the money was an investment in the youth of today, and a cheap means of getting a little good publicity for their firms. Sponsor's names are emblazoned on the back of each player's uniform.

But now the Little League has realized a long awaited dream. Construction on a ball park has been started, at an old dump site, Plaza Del Amo, near Western and Cabrillo Aves.

League directors are now seeking material to help with their huge project. Included in the list of vital essentials are: concrete blocks for bleachers, rest rooms and concession stands.

Four-by-fours, eight feet long, for fences. Need 200 of them.

Two-by-fours, eight feet long, for fence runners. Need 400 of them.

Five hundred feet of wire fencing, five-foot high. Pipe and chain link fence for backstops. Three-hundred feet of two-inch galvanized pipe. Fifteen-hundred feet of one-inch pipe. Fertilizer by the ton. Two flag poles. Two score boards. Labor—any able bodied man or boy. Contributors can contact Paul Roetiger, at Frontier 5-1531, or John Keith, FAirfax 8-1883 after 5 p.m. It's a great investment in tomorrow.

Little League Meeting Set at 'Y' Tomorrow

Torrance's Jim Vaughan rolled a 243 for high game of the match, while Al Cohn's 230 was high for the visitors.

Bob Pearson turned in a 1023 series to cap honors in that department.

The second series of five games will be rolled at the Twentieth Century Bowl Saturday night.

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20th Century Bowlers Eke Pin Victory

Twentieth Century Bowlers edged out a slim lead in the first round of the Twentieth Century Bowl exhibition match, Saturday night, with a 4737 total score against a 4619 churned by the locals.

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GETS FLAG . . . Ray Crawford, recent Mexican road race winner, gets the checkered flag from lovely Pam Prince. Ray will be looking forward to this Sunday afternoon (the flag, that is) at the new Gardena Stadium, 139th and Western, for the 100-lap AAA National Championship Midget Race. Time trials start at 12:30, with the trophy dash set for 2:30. It's promoted by J. C. Agajanian, racing czar.

Grapplers Trip Marines 23-10

With their goal set at the All-Junior College Wrestling Championship, El Camino's grapplers out-pinned the rugged Camp Pendleton Marines wrestlers at San Diego, over the week end.

The locals swept the field last season to claim the All JC title, and are out to get it this year.

The Marines previously had won all eight of their matches. The El Camino muscle men won, 23 to 10.

Scoring: 123 lb. class: Don Hagadorn (EC) def. Pettit (CP), 9-3. (EC team awarded five points: Pettit overweight).

130 lb. class: Ralph Roberts (EC) pinned Adams (CP) in 1 min., 25 sec. of second period.

137 lb. class: Ron Swick (EC) def. Cynski (CP), 9-2.

147 lb. class: Wattkins (CP) pinned Larry Neal (EC) in 2 min., 30 sec. of first period.

157 lb. class: Dale Dole (EC) pinned Harvey (CP) of 20 sec. of second period.

167 lb. class: Tedd Wall (EC) def. Ballany (CP), 8-0. Heavy Class: Lewis (CP) def. Roland Rutter (EC), 6-2. The Cammenon lost a walk over to Mt. San Antonio College, 20-14, and later had to forfeit the entire score. They won over San Diego, 28-3, and Orange County, 23-8.